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SUBJ: MEMBERSHIP OF SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV)

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1. DURING INFORMAL DISCUSSION WITH U.S. DIRECTOR ON JULY 26, ADB GENERAL COUNSEL REFERRED TO RECENT TELEGRAM FROM SRV (REFTEL REFERS) IN WHICH NEW STATE APPEARS TO BE TAKING POSITION THAT SRV SUCCEEDS TO MEMBERSHIP IN ADB OF FORMER SOUTH VIETNAM. HE SAID THAT IN HIS PERSONAL VIEW MAJORITY OF ADB MEMBERS WOULD PROBABLY BE WILLING TO ACCEPT, OR NOT OPPOSE, SUCCESSION OF NEW STATE. U.S. DIRECTOR OBSERVED THAT USG WOULD PREFER NOT TO HAVE TO FACE THIS ISSUE UNTIL AFTER IMF ACTS AND AFTER NEW ADB PRESIDENT ASSUMES OFFICE ON NOVEMBER 24. GENERAL COUNSEL RESPONDED THAT ADB WOULD NOT WANT TO GIVE APPEARANCE THAT IT WAS ACTING SLOWER THAN OTHER IFIS, SINCE HE ASSUMES BOTH IMF AND IBRD PROBABLY RECEIVED SIMILAR TELEGRAMS. HE SAID THAT AT SAME TIME BANK WOULD WANT TO AVOID ANY NEGATIVE VOTE FROM USG, SO HE WOULD  
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PREFER NOT HAVING BANK DO ANYTHING AT THIS TIME THAT

WOULD REQUIRE VOTE BY GOVERNORS.

2. GENERAL COUNSEL SAID MAIN ISSUE AT THIS TIME, AS HE SEES IT, IS HOW FAST BANK SHOULD MOVE. HE SUGGESTED THAT ADB PRESIDENT MIGHT MEET WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT INFORMAL COFFEE SESSION TO EXPLORE STEPS THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN. U.S. DIRECTOR SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR PRESIDENT TO HOLD INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSIONS WITH DIRECTORS.

3. USADB WOULD APPRECIATE ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON RESULTS OF IMF MISSION TO SRV AND APPROPRIATE NAC GUIDANCE.  
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